## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE FINANCE

## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABIITY

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) announces a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for grant funds pursuant to the authority established by the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Support Act of 2018, Title V, Subtitle G, Section 5062 to make grant funds available to develop a pilot program to strengthen the ability of faith-based organizations to deliver health care services through telehealth to residents located in Wards 5, 7, and 8. The Director of DHCF has authority to issue grants under the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007, effective February 27, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-109; D.C. Official Code 7-771.05(4) (2012 Repl.).

A Request for Applications (RFA) for the below opportunity will be released under a separate announcement with guidelines for submitting the application, review criteria, and DHCF terms and conditions for applying for and receiving funding. The anticipated performance period for these grants is June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

## Description of Opportunity:

<u>Telehealth at Faith-Based Organizations Pilot Program Grant</u>: One (1) grant of up to \$75,000 will be awarded to develop a pilot program to strengthen the ability of faith-based organizations to deliver health care screenings, assessments, and services through telehealth and reduce low-acuity, non-emergency (LANE) hospital visits, avoidable hospitalizations, and hospital readmissions for residents located in Wards 5, 7, and 8.

Applicants will be required to demonstrate that proposed telehealth services and activities will be provided in compliance with local licensure requirements or must explain why the project is exempt from those requirements. Priority will be given to organizations that demonstrate an ability to enhance or expand current telehealth programs in Wards 5, 7, and/or 8.

## Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must be a faith-based organization located and/or providing services in Wards 5, 7, and/or 8 and be registered with the DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) as a Not-for-Profit Corporation or must demonstrate a partnership with such a faith-based organization. Applicants who choose to subgrant must have a demonstrated record of partnership and provide Letters of Commitment for any existing or proposed partnerships.

All applicants and subgrantees must be a registered organization in good standing with DCRA's Corporation Division, the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR), the Department of Employment Services (DOES), and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and demonstrate Clean Hands certification at the time of application.

A RFA will be released on or around April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The application package will be available online at http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse and the DHCF website (https://dhcf.dc.gov/page/dhcf-grant-opportunities). Hard copies of the application package may be obtained at DHCF, 441 4<sup>th</sup> St. N.W., Ste 900S, Washington, D.C. 20001, 9<sup>th</sup> floor reception desk daily from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

DHCF will hold a pre-proposal conference on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at 441 4<sup>th</sup> St. N.W., 10<sup>th</sup> floor, Main Street Room 1028, Washington, D.C. 20001. Prospective applicants must provide an email address to DHCF to receive notification of amendments or clarifications to the RFA.

Completed applications must be <u>received</u> on or before 4:00 p.m. Eastern on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Applications must be submitted in hard copy and in-person at DHCF, 441 4th St. N.W., Ste 900S, Washington, D.C. 20001, 9<sup>th</sup> floor reception desk. No applications will be accepted after the submission deadline. All eligible applications will be reviewed through a competitive process.

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